

1 SENATE BILL 147

2 **48TH LEGISLATURE - STATE OF NEW MEXICO - FIRST SESSION, 2007**

3 INTRODUCED BY

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10 AN ACT

11 RELATING TO GUARDIANSHIP; CREATING A PROGRAM TO PROVIDE
12 ASSISTANCE AND TRAINING WITH RESPECT TO ALTERNATIVES TO
13 GUARDIANSHIP FOR THE CARE OF DISABLED PERSONS; MAKING AN
14 APPROPRIATION.

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16 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF NEW MEXICO:

17 Section 1. GUARDIANSHIP ALTERNATIVES PROGRAM CREATED.--

18 The "guardianship alternatives program" is created within the
19 aging and long-term services department to provide:

20 A. assistance in the establishment of alternatives
21 to guardianship for the care of persons with a disability,
22 including the establishment of microboards of family members
23 and friends responsible for the care of such persons; and

24 B. training and assistance to communities regarding
25 alternatives to guardianship for the care of persons with a

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2 Section 2. APPROPRIATION.--Two hundred thousand dollars
3 (\$200,000) is appropriated from the general fund to the aging
4 and long-term services department for expenditure in fiscal
5 year 2008 and subsequent fiscal years for the guardianship
6 alternatives program. Any unexpended or unencumbered balance
7 remaining at the end of a fiscal year shall not revert to the
8 general fund.

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